

# Exploring Possible Dark Matter Models for DAMA and CoGeNT

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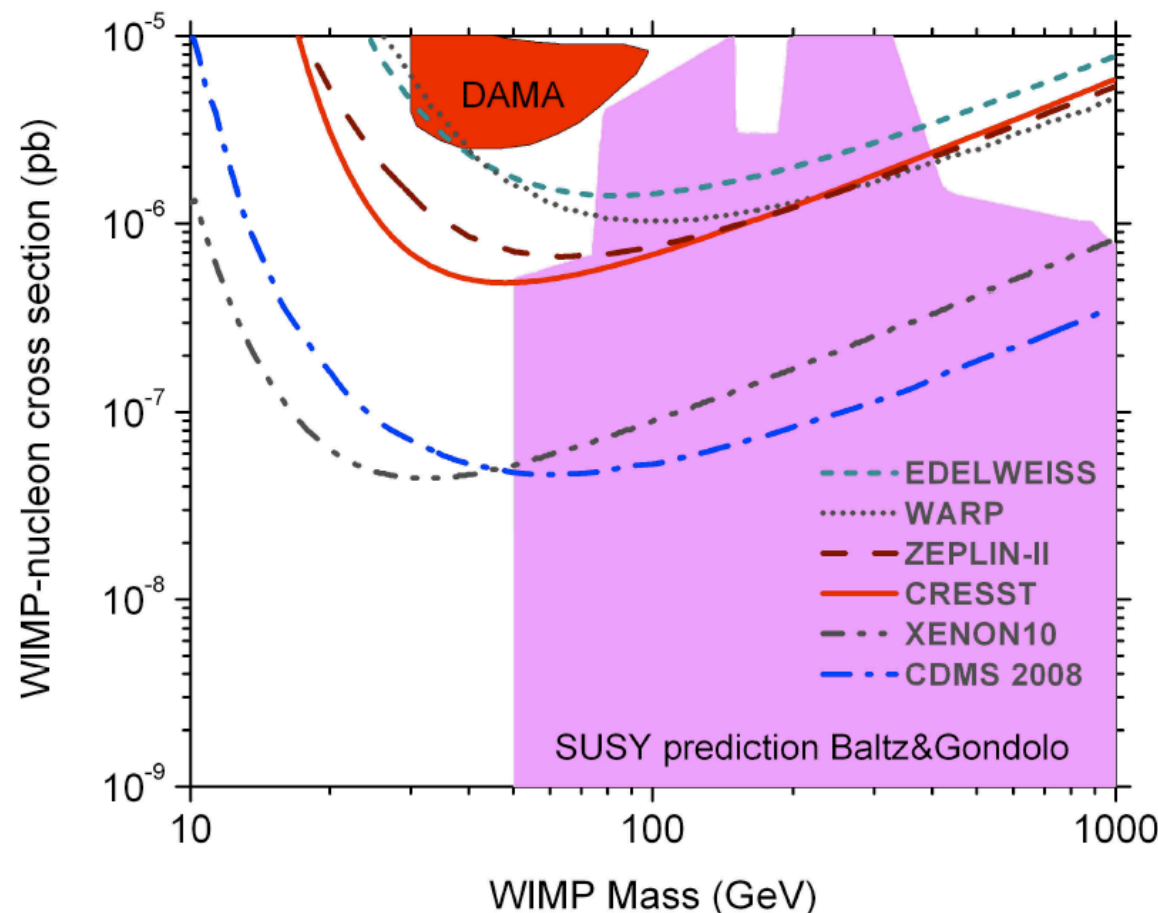
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# Outline

- Direct Detection Experiments
- Models with Non-standard Scattering
- DAMA and CoGeNT, and experimental uncertainties
- Dark Moments, and more

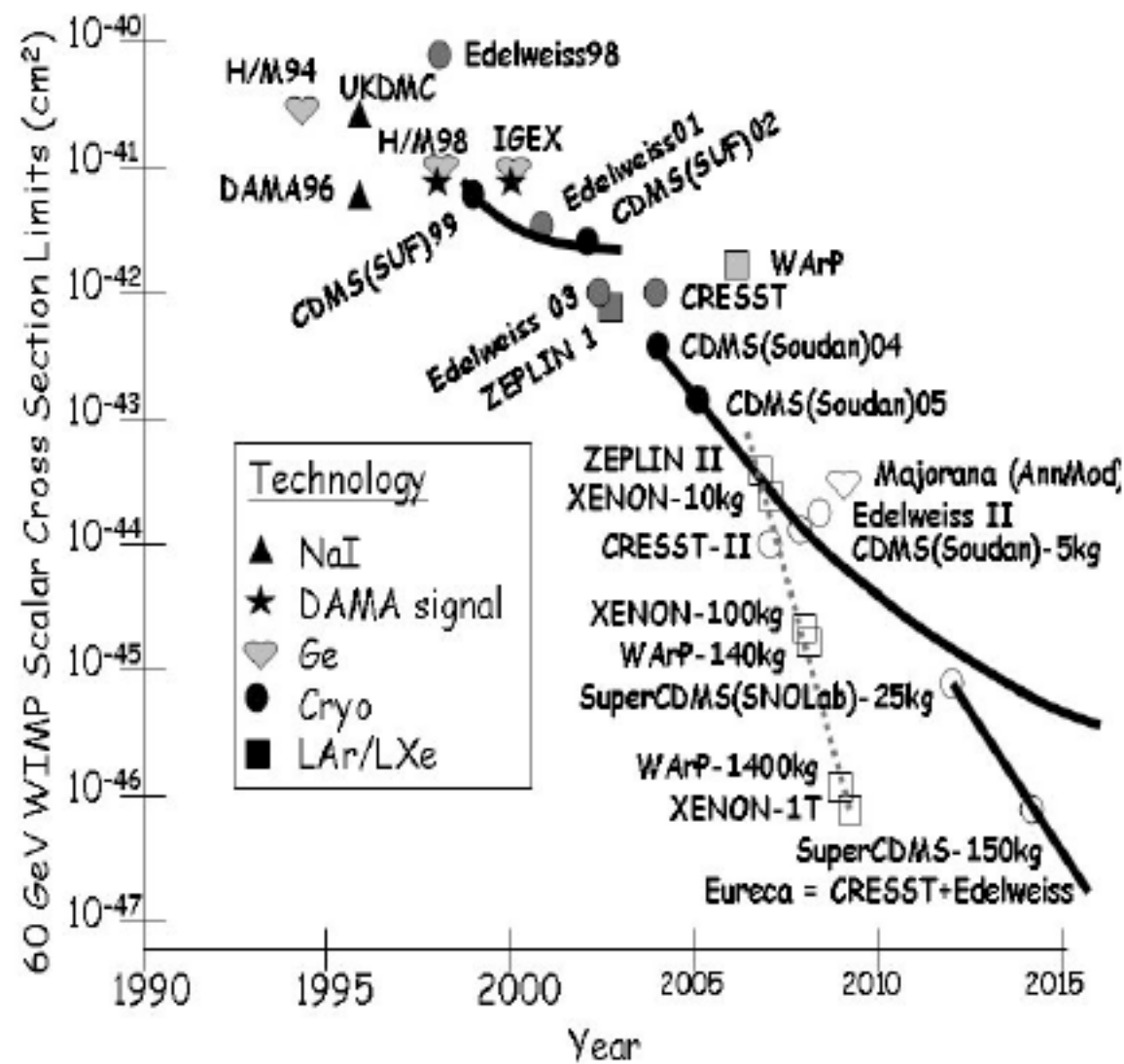
# Direct Detection

- Observe nuclear recoils due to Dark Matter scattering
- Put constraints on cross-section vs. mass
- Lots of experiments: DAMA, CDMS, CRESST, XENON...



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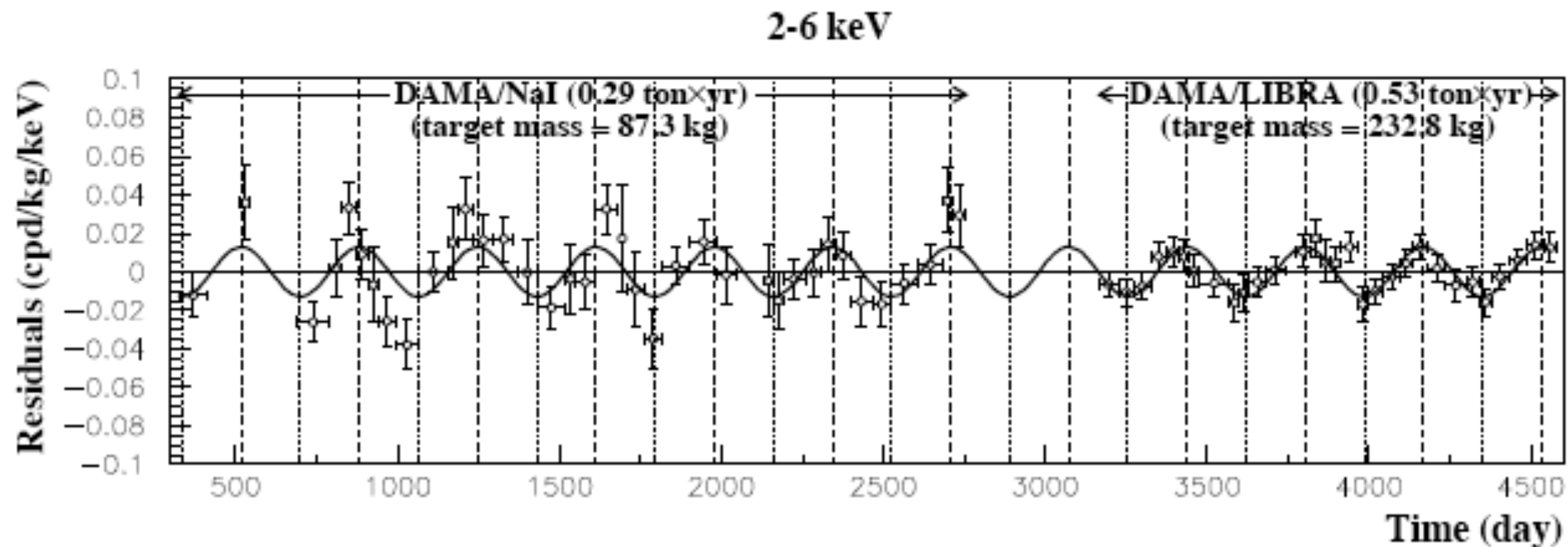
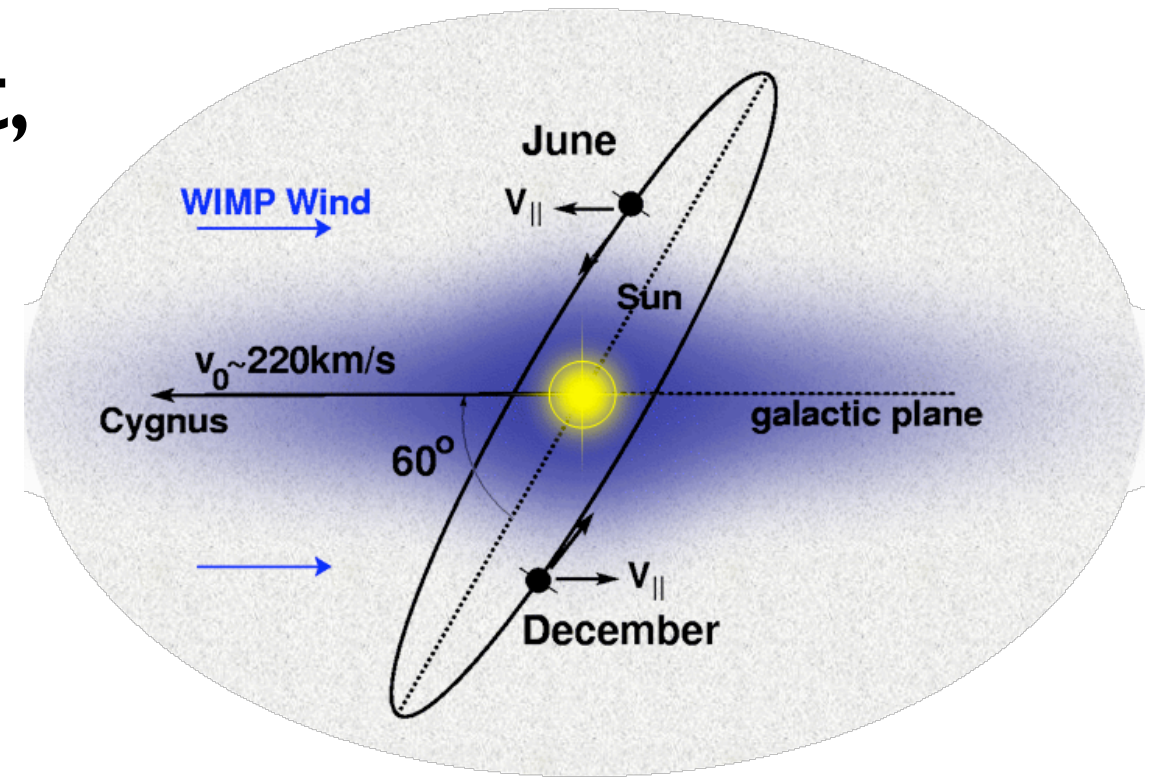
# History of DD Limits



Cushman, 2001

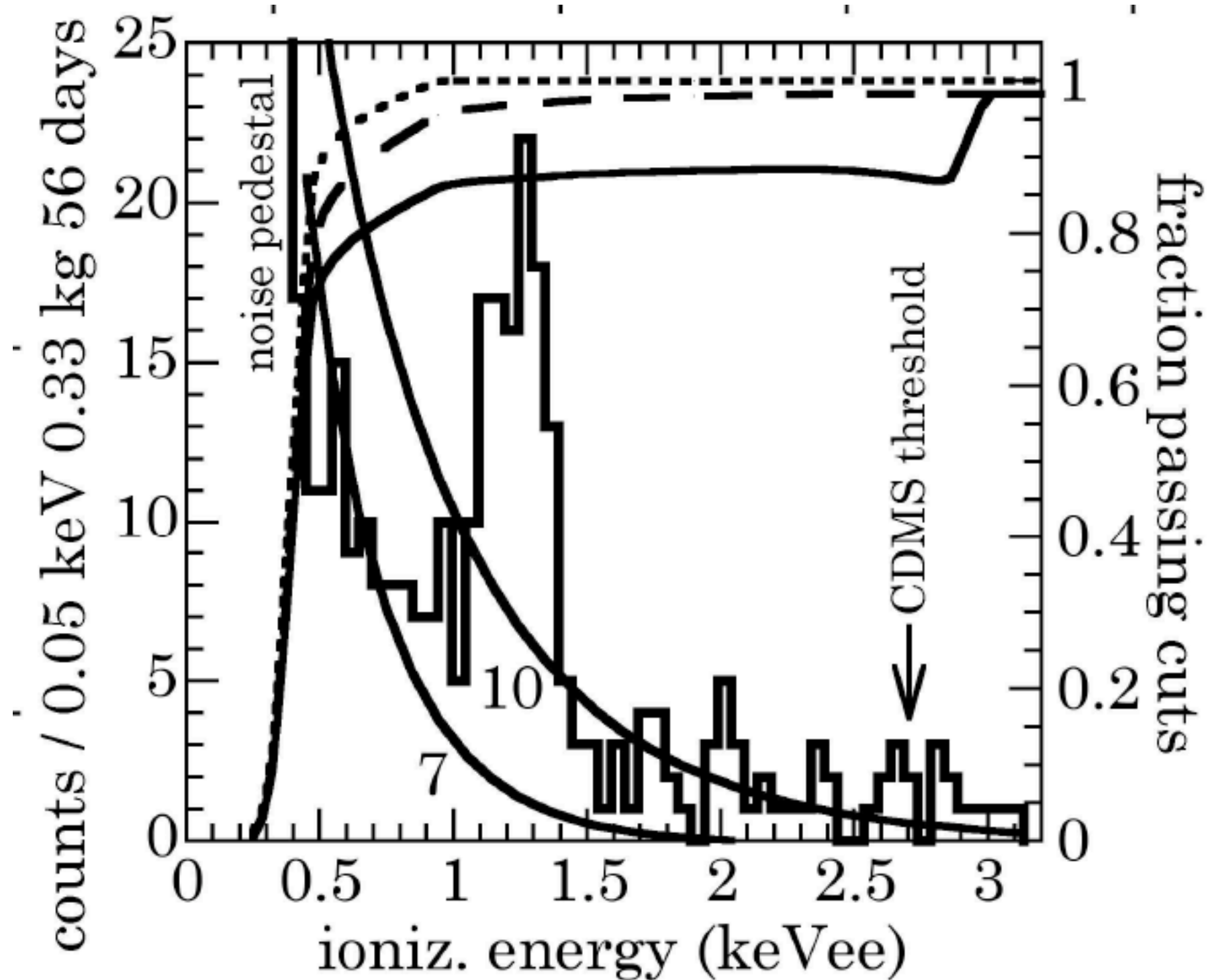
# DAMA annual modulation

- DAMA sees 8sigma(?) effect, increasingly in phase with earth's motion



- Known backgrounds are much too small: DAMA considered neutrons, muons, neutrinos, temperature...
- Standard WIMP explanation is ruled out by other direct detection experiments

# CoGeNT low-energy signal



Aalseth et al, 2010

# Null Results

- Lots of other experiments w/o discoveries:
- CDMS, XENON, CRESST, SIMPLE, etc.
- Assuming DAMA and/or CoGeNT signals are dark matter, what models are consistent with all data?



# Differences between DAMA and others

- 1) Nuclear mass (DAMA uses NaI, CDMS uses Ge, etc.)
- 2) Different ranges in nuclear recoil energy
- 3) Only experiment to look at annual modulation
- 4) DAMA doesn't veto purely E&M events
- 5) Crystal Structure
- 6) Spin of nucleus

# Event Rate Formula

- Events per unit time per detector mass per unit recoil energy

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = N_T \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{m_{\text{DM}}} \int_{v_{\text{min}}} d^3v f(v) v \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}$$

Nuclei/detector mass

local DM density

Kinematic Limit

DM/Nucleus cross-section

DM Halo Distribution

$$f(v) \sim e^{-(v/\bar{v})^2}$$

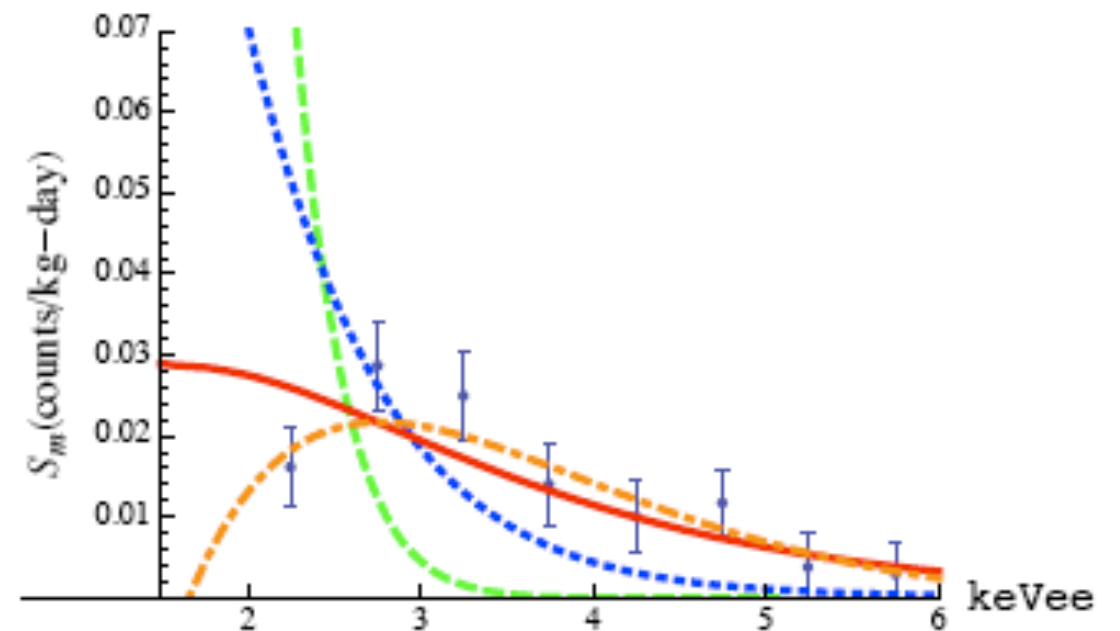
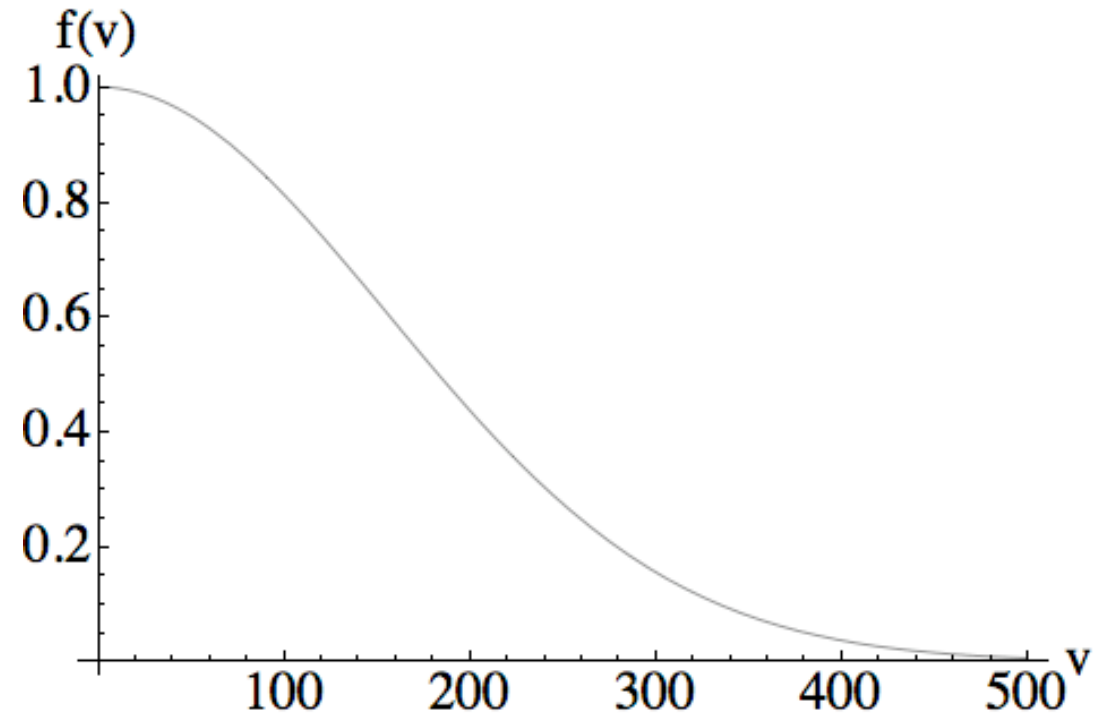
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# Enhanced Modulation?

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Small mass  $\rightarrow$  larger modulation

But bad spectrum,  
overprediction at low recoil  
energy



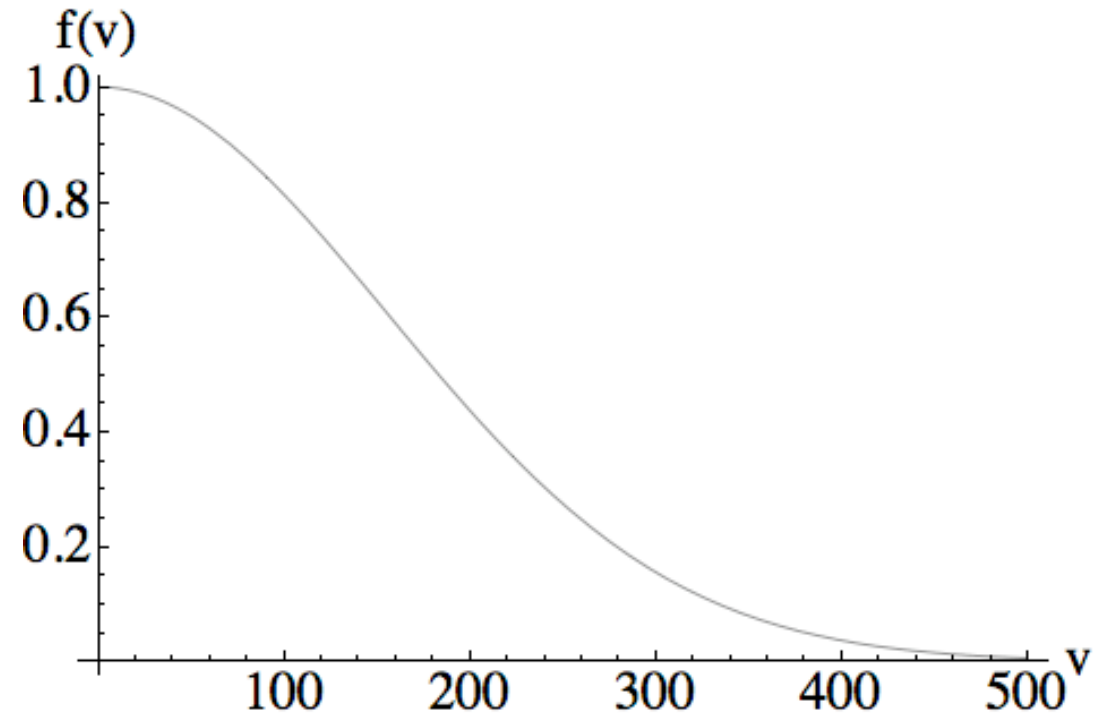
Chang, Pierce, Weiner 0808.0196

# Enhanced Modulation?

Inelastic:

$$v_{\min} = \frac{q}{2\mu} + \frac{\delta}{q}$$

Mass splitting  $\rightarrow$  larger modulation



Tucker-Smith, Weiner 2001

# Lots of model ideas

- inelastic scattering
- Light dark matter, Na scattering (issues w/ spectrum...)
- Electronic scattering/signal (especially, “luminous dm”)
- Channeling (but, theoretical problems...)
- Spin-dependent (constraints from SIMPLE, etc...)
- Resonant DM
- Form Factor DM/Momentum-dependent DM

# Form Factor DM

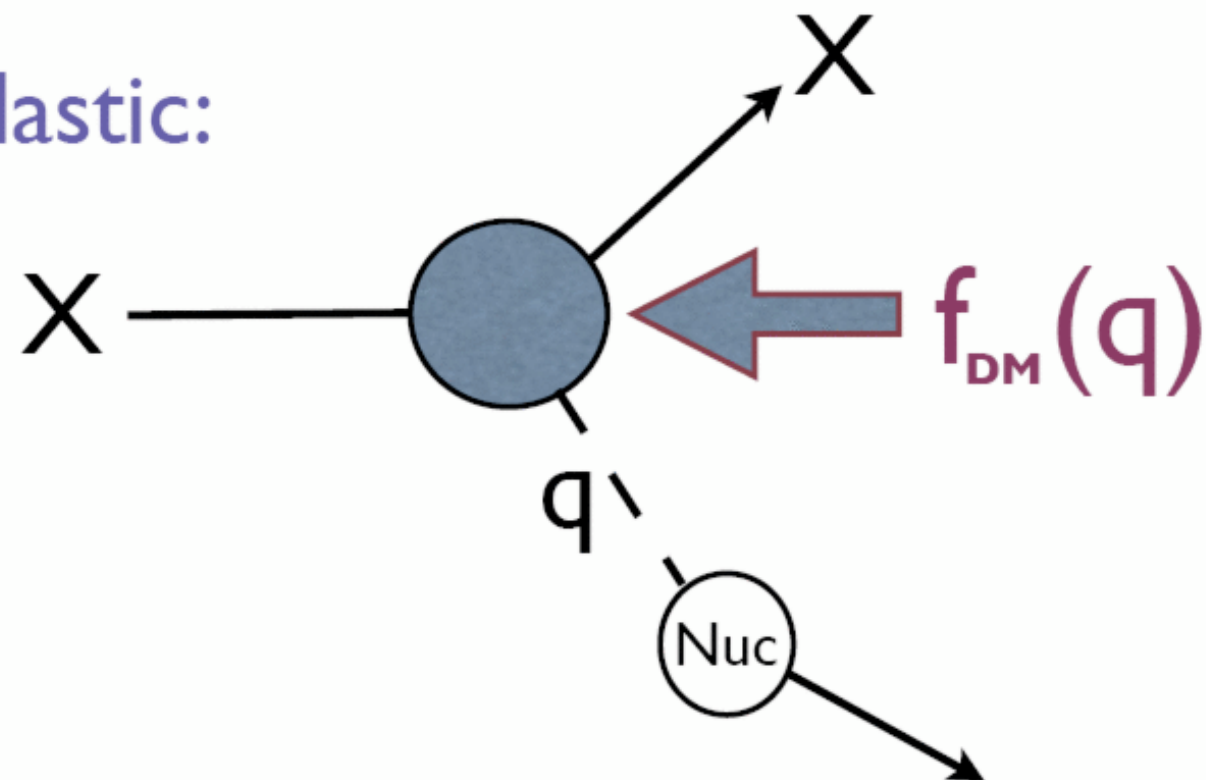
Feldstein, ALF, Katz

- Introduce form factor in dark matter scattering coming from dark matter internal structure

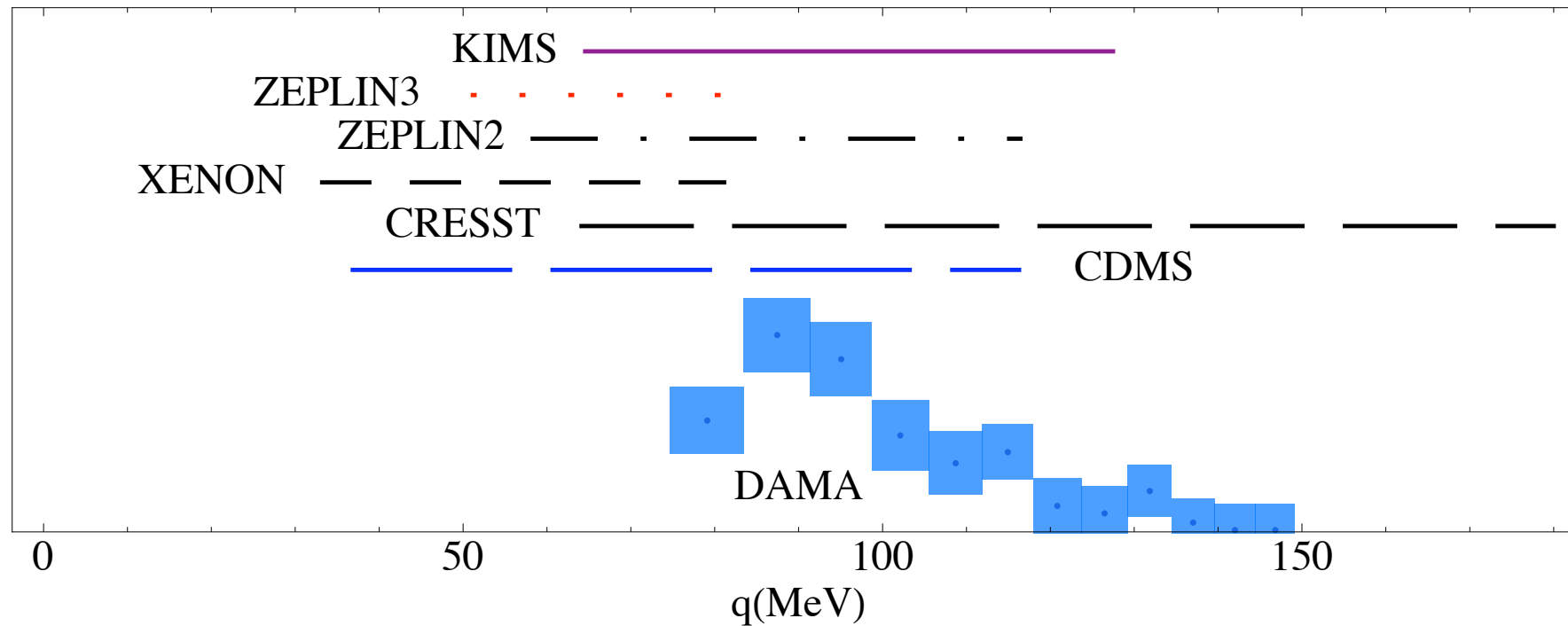
$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} \rightarrow \frac{dR}{dE_R} f_{\text{DM}}^2(q)$$

$$q = \sqrt{2m_N E_R}$$

Elastic:

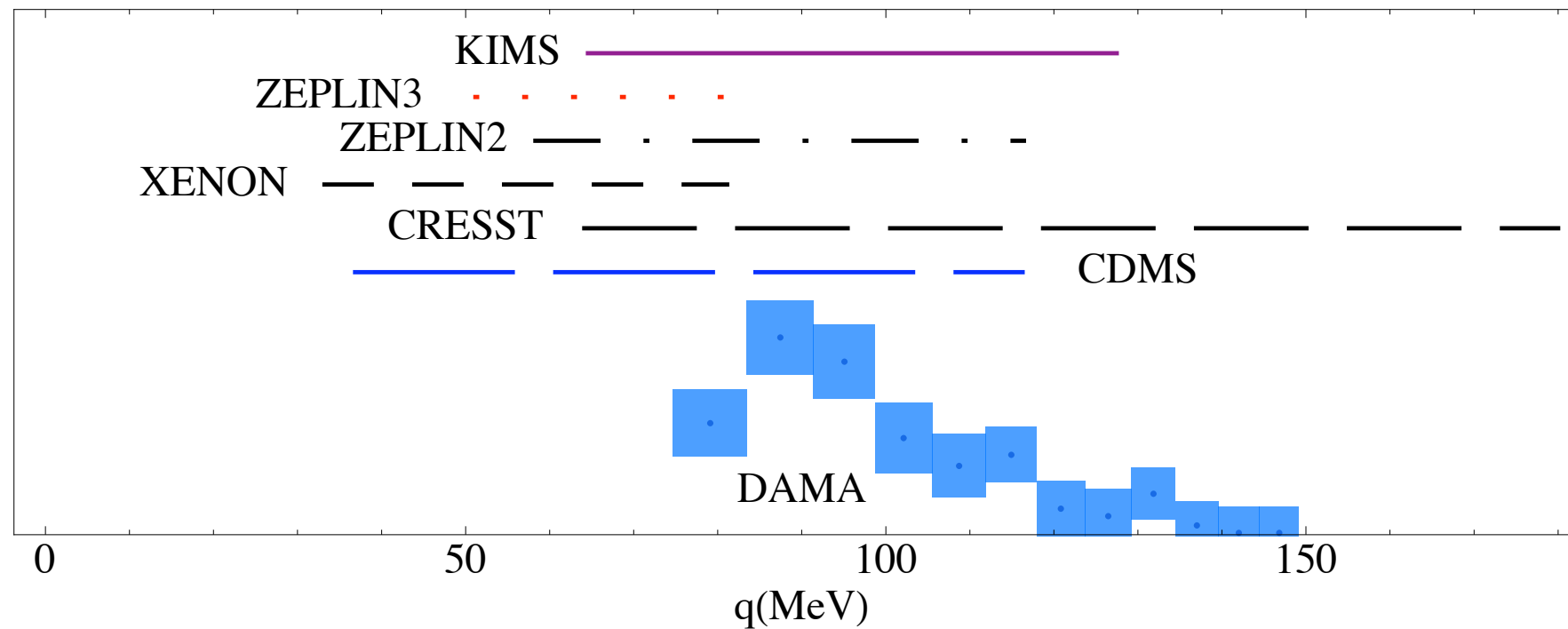


# Overlap in $q$



- DAMA predicts events between 80 MeV and 120 MeV
- Include  $f(q)$  to suppress events below DAMA region

# Overlap in q

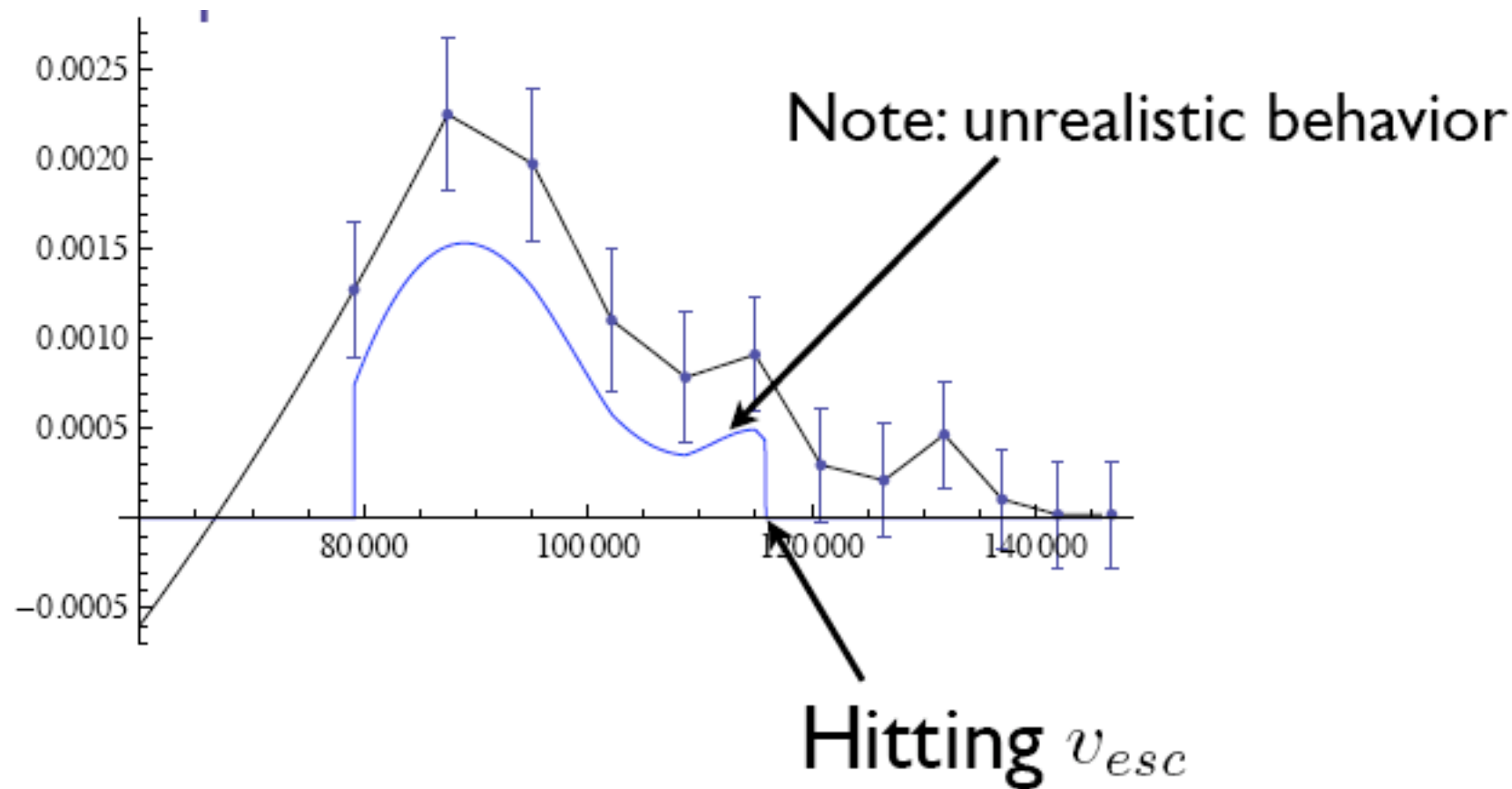


- Simple example:  $\mathcal{L} \supset \partial_\mu X \partial_\nu X^* F^{\mu\nu}$   $f_{\text{DM}}(q) \propto q^2$
- More general  $f(q)$  needs more complicated model



# Minimum CDMS prediction

## Idealized Form Factor

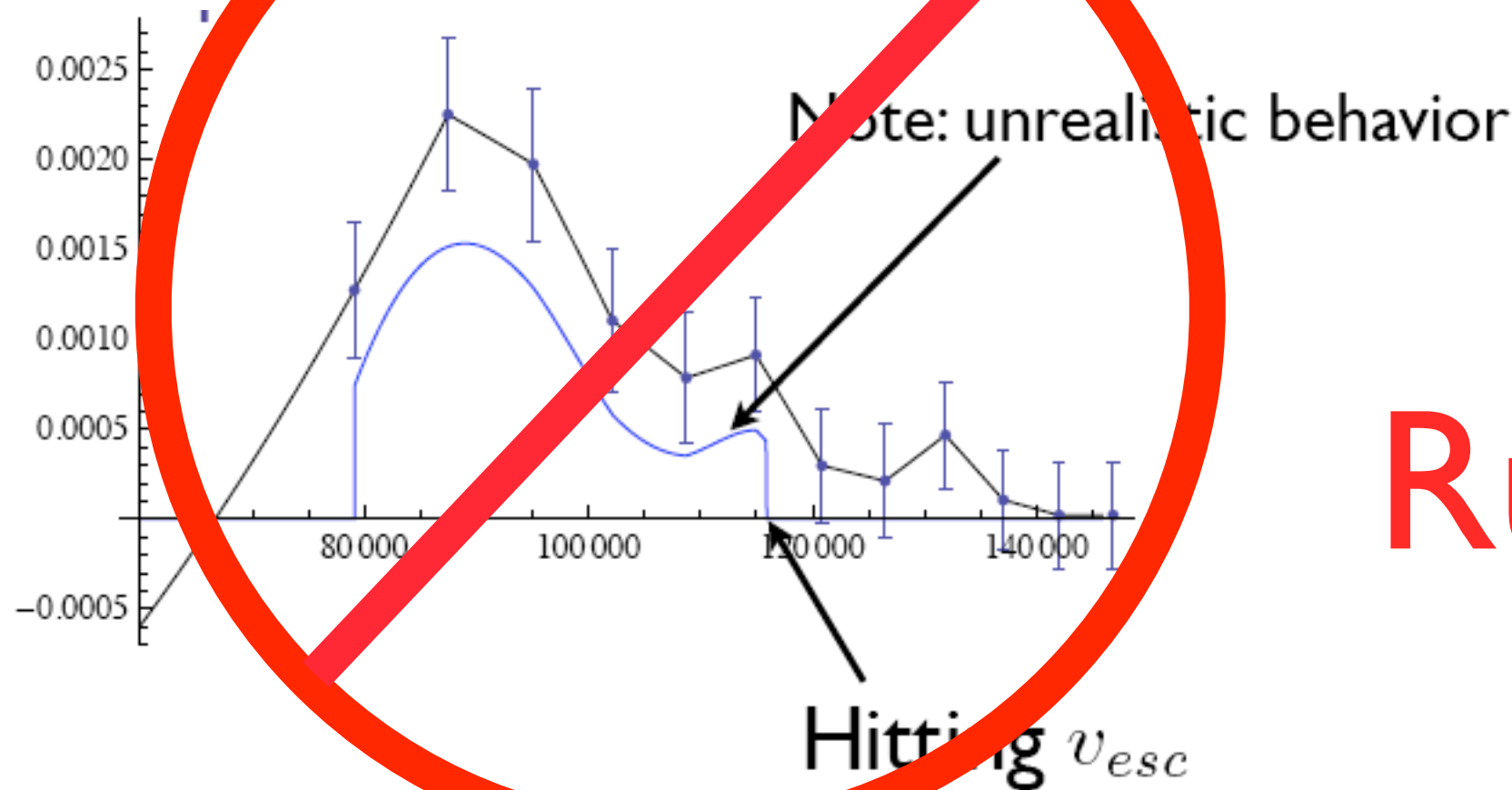


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**Ruled Out!**

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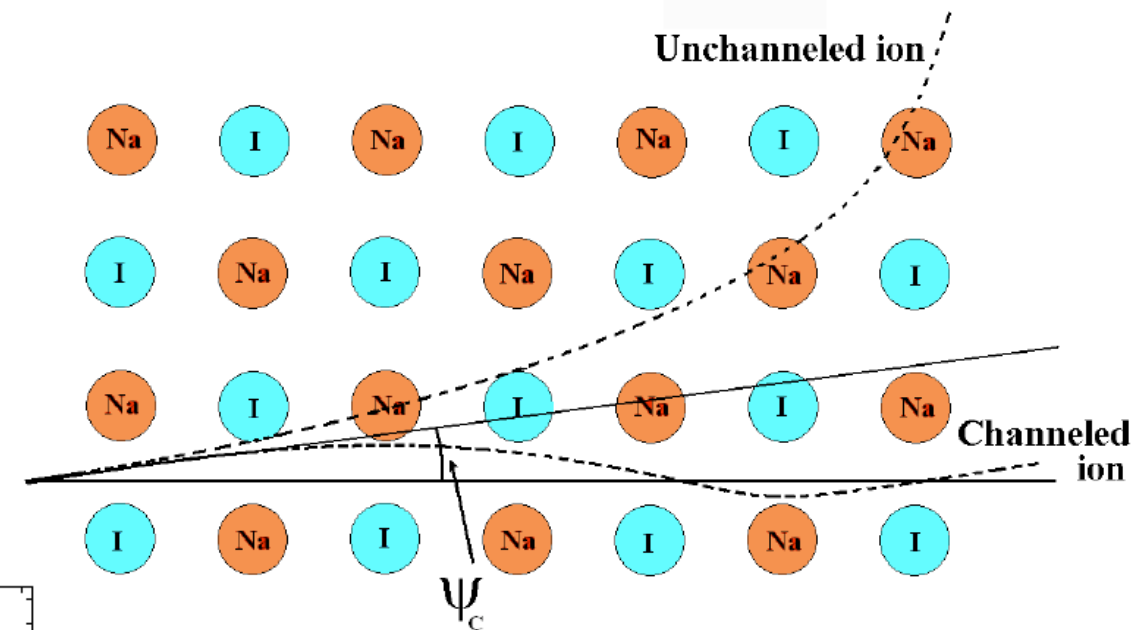
# Quenching factors

- Nuclear recoils usually lose only  $\sim$  fractions of their energy electronically, most energy is lost to nuclear collisions  $\rightarrow$  heat.
- Fraction is called a “quenching” factor  $q$ , = 9% for iodine at DAMA
- Not measured directly at all relevant energies, and uncertainties can be important!
- Some events at very low DAMA energies have very different quenching factor, due to crystal structure.  
Example: Channeling

# Channeling

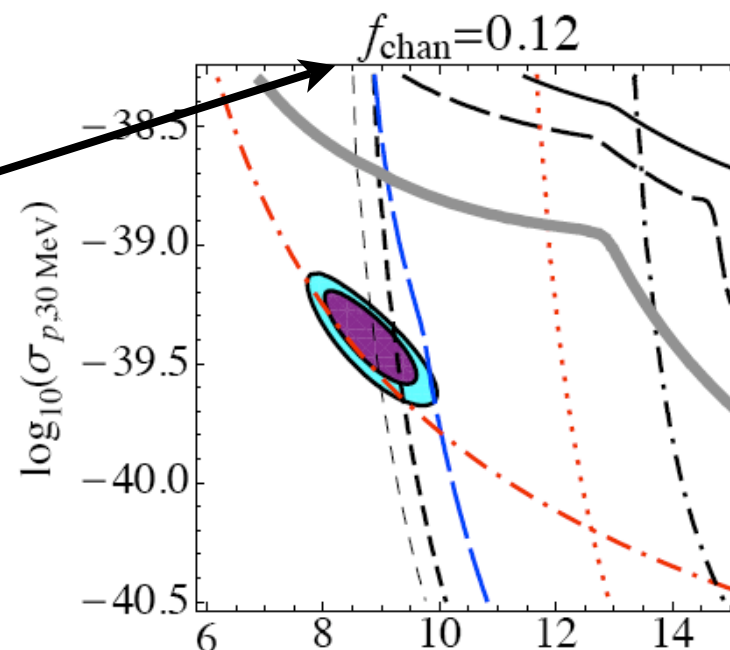
Lindhard, Drobyshevski

- Quenching factor would be much closer to one some fraction of time at low energies
- Then a 20 keV event at DAMA would really be a 2 keV event
- At light DM masses, DAMA would be sensitive, but most other experiments wouldn't



$f_{\text{DM}}(q) \propto q^2$   
would be  
consistent

Feldstein, ALF, Katz, Tweedie



Channeling fraction here  
chosen as small as possible

# Channeling

- Theoretically disfavored
  - Bozorgnia, Gelmini, Gondolo

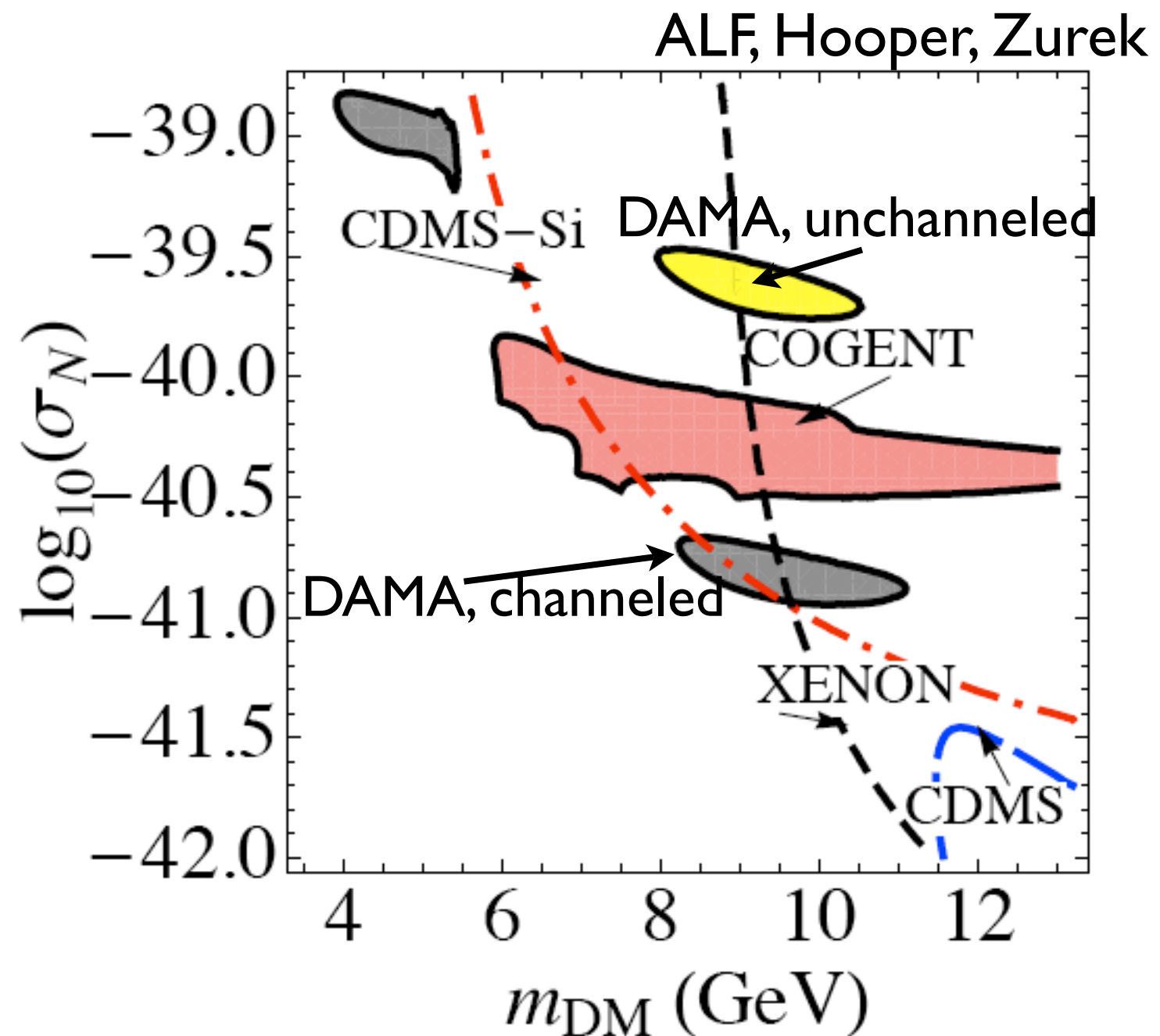
Discuss it anyway for

- 1) Historical ( $\sim 6$  mo.) context
- 2) More general issue - quenching factors are not known at very low energies. A more detailed theoretical study would be valuable...

# CoGeNT ~ DAMA?

DAMA and  
CoGeNT regions  
are very similar.

Still, can we do better?



Hooper et al (2010): How well do  
we know Sodium scattering region?

World average is  $q_{\text{Na}} \sim 0.3 \pm 0.01$ ,  
but is this reliable?

# Na Low-E Quenching factor

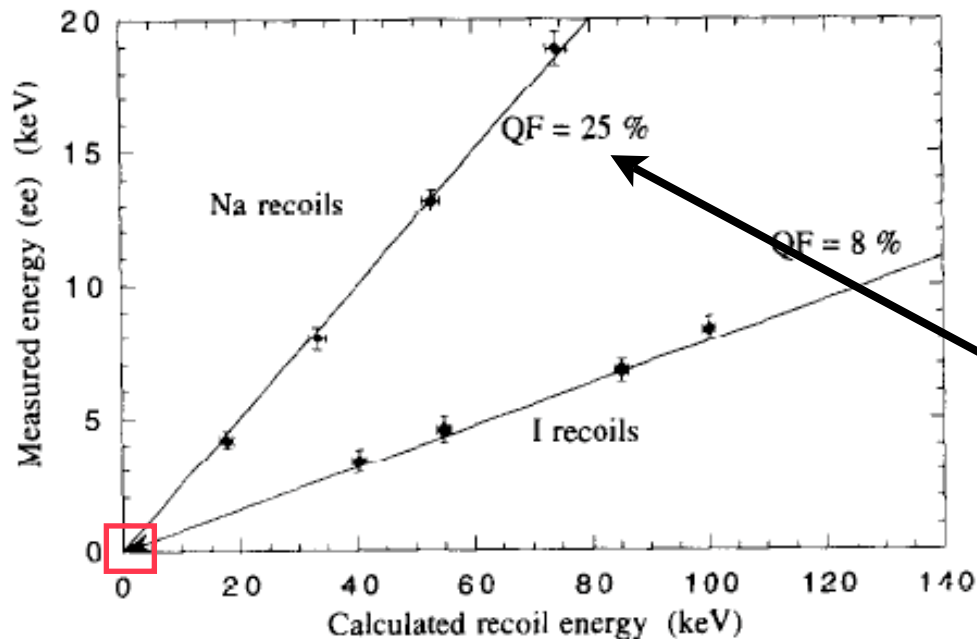


Fig. 2. Measured recoil energy in NaI(Tl) as a function of the real kinetic energy of the recoils on Na and I nuclei.

Gerbier et al

Astroparticle Physics 11 (1999) 287-302

Fit  $q$  as a constant  
over large energy  
range

Barnabei et al

Physics Letters B 389 (1996) 757-766

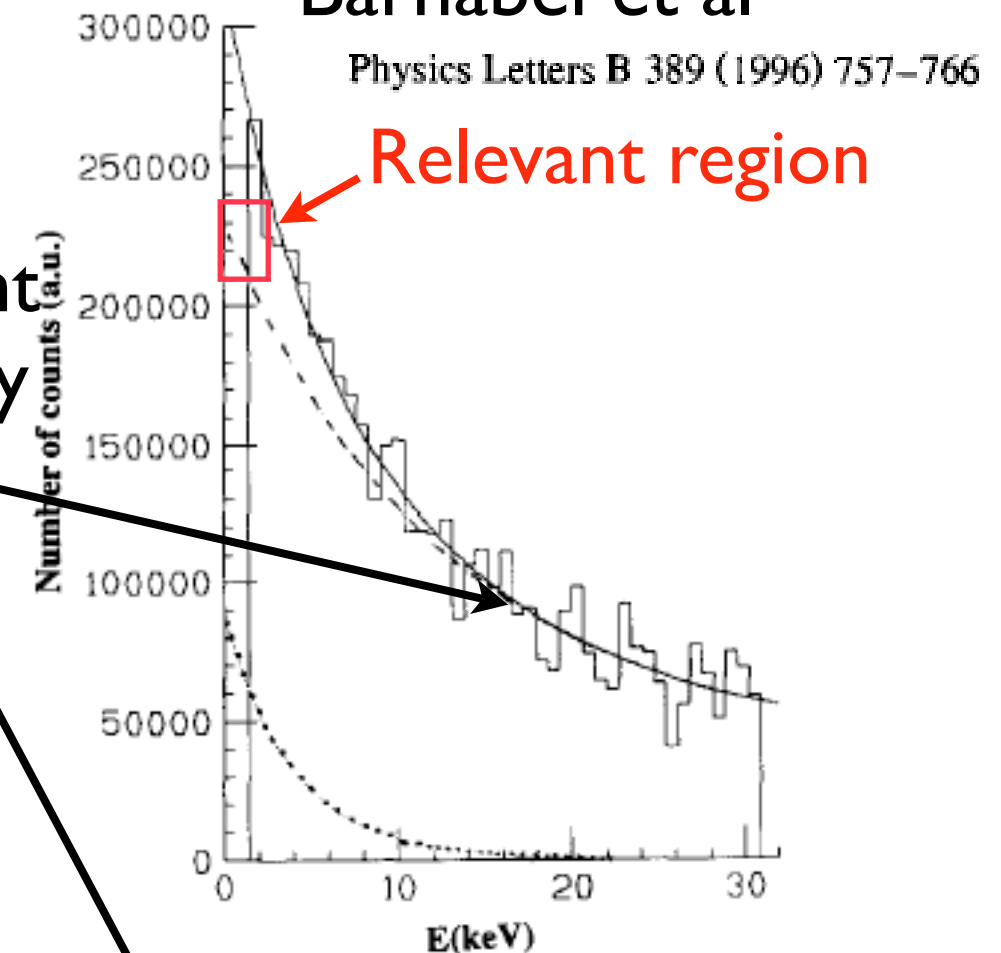


Fig. 1. Experimental low-energy spectrum only due to neutron elastic scattering; the continuous line represents the fitted curve ( $\chi^2/(39 \text{ d.o.f.}) = 1.3$ ). The dotted and dashed lines indicate the component of  $^{127}\text{I}$  and  $^{23}\text{Na}$ , respectively.

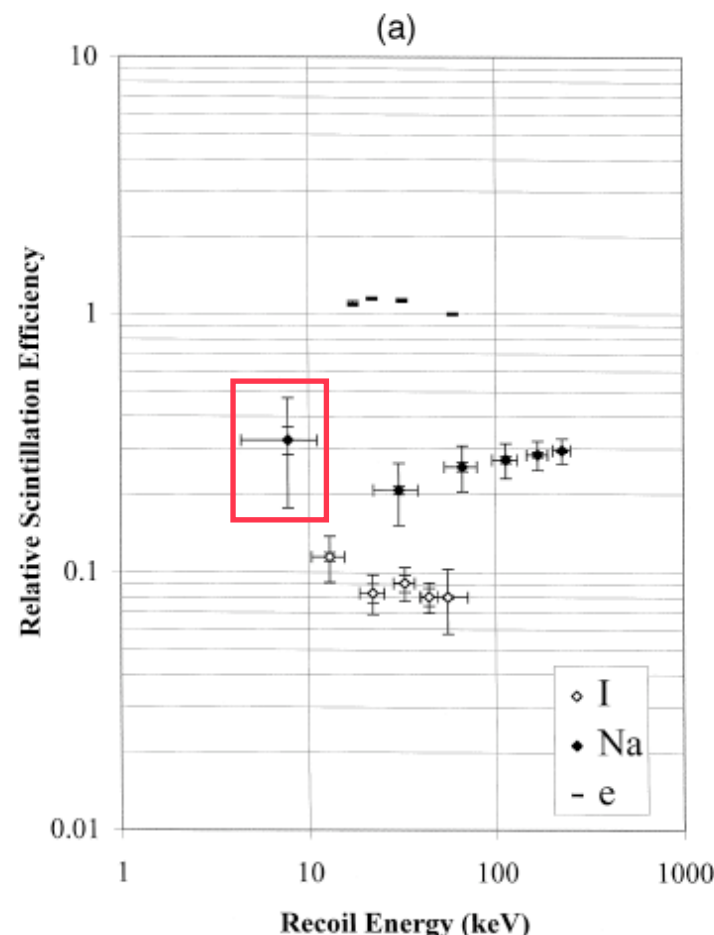
$$Y(E_{\text{det}}) = \alpha_{\text{Na}} G_{\text{Na}} \left( \frac{E_{\text{det}}}{q_{\text{Na}}} \right) + \alpha_{\text{I}} G_{\text{I}} \left( \frac{E_{\text{det}}}{q_{\text{I}}} \right)$$

$$G_X(E_R) = \exp(a_{1,X} E_R^3 + a_{2,X} E_R^2 + a_{3,X} E_R)$$

Fushimi et al

PHYSICAL REVIEW C 1993  
VOLUME 47, NUMBER 2

$$f_{\text{Na}} = 0.4 \pm 0.2$$



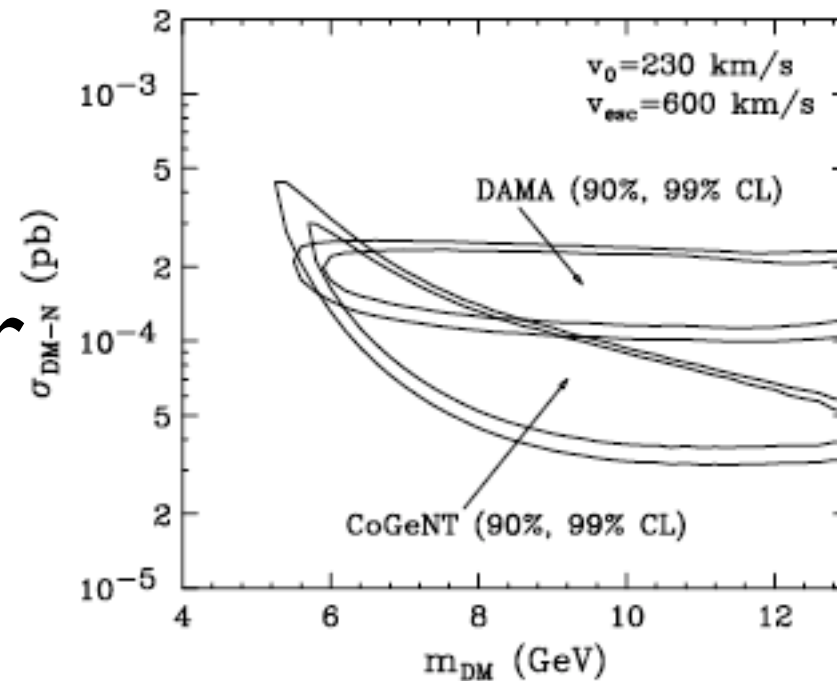
Tovey et al

Physics Letters B 433 (1998) 150-155

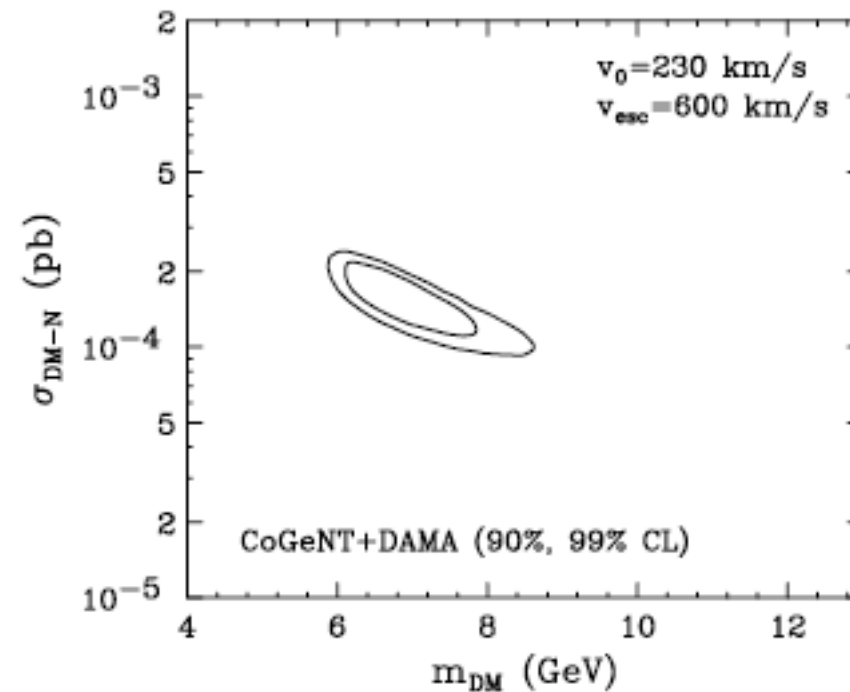
But not very  
sensitive at low  
energies!

# Sodium scattering revisited

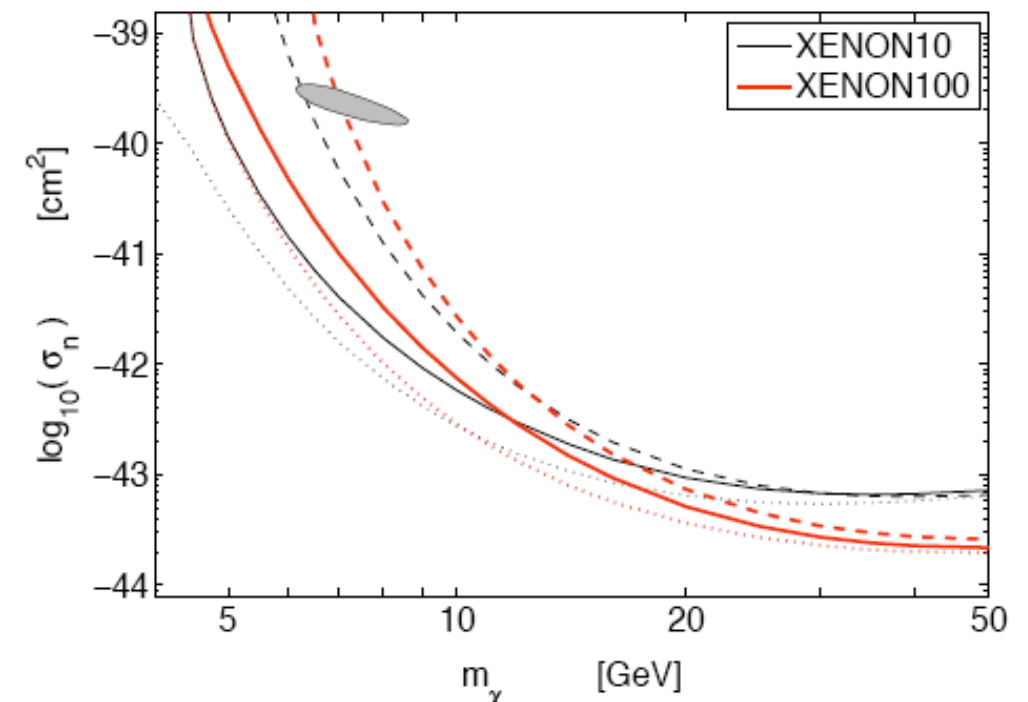
~ 7 GeV  
Dark Matter



Hooper et al 2010



Still, some tension  
with XENON10 Sorensen



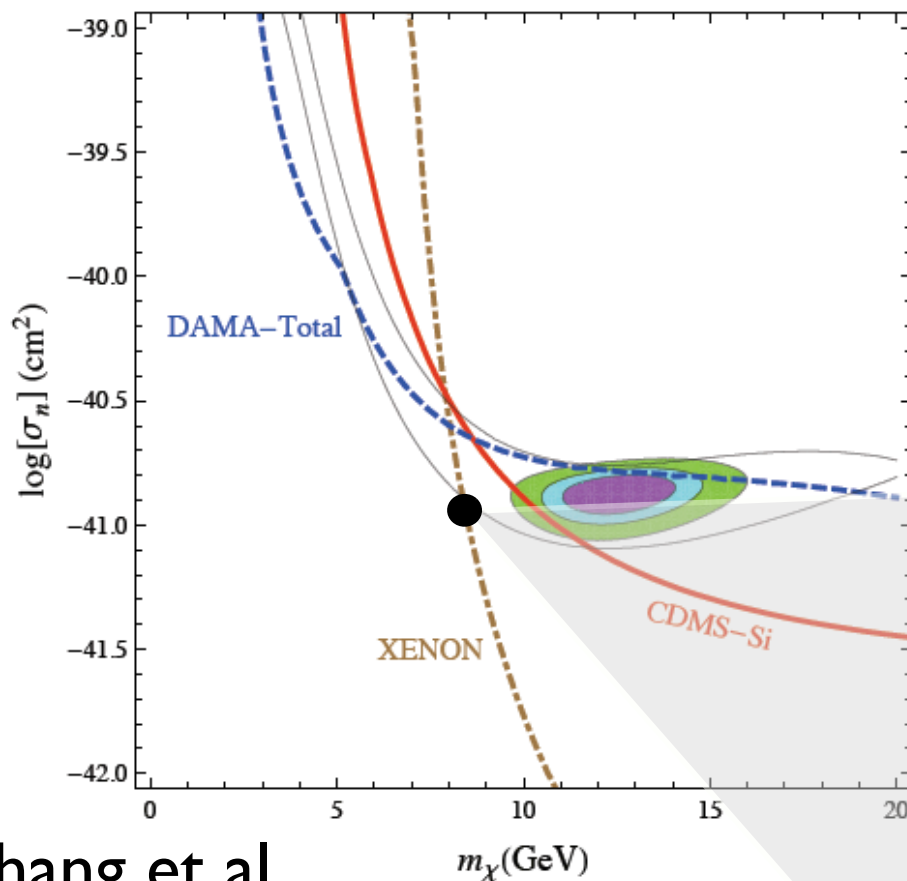


# XENON Leff

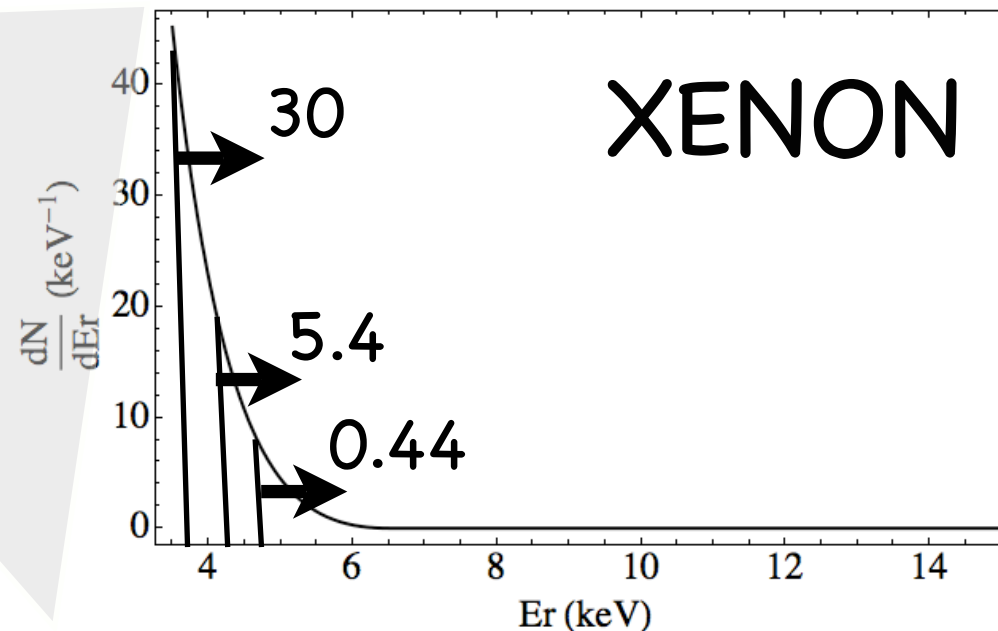
- Constraints are extremely sensitive to what the exact low-energy threshold is

$$E_{\text{nr}} = \frac{S_1}{L_y L_{\text{eff}}} \frac{S_e}{S_n}$$

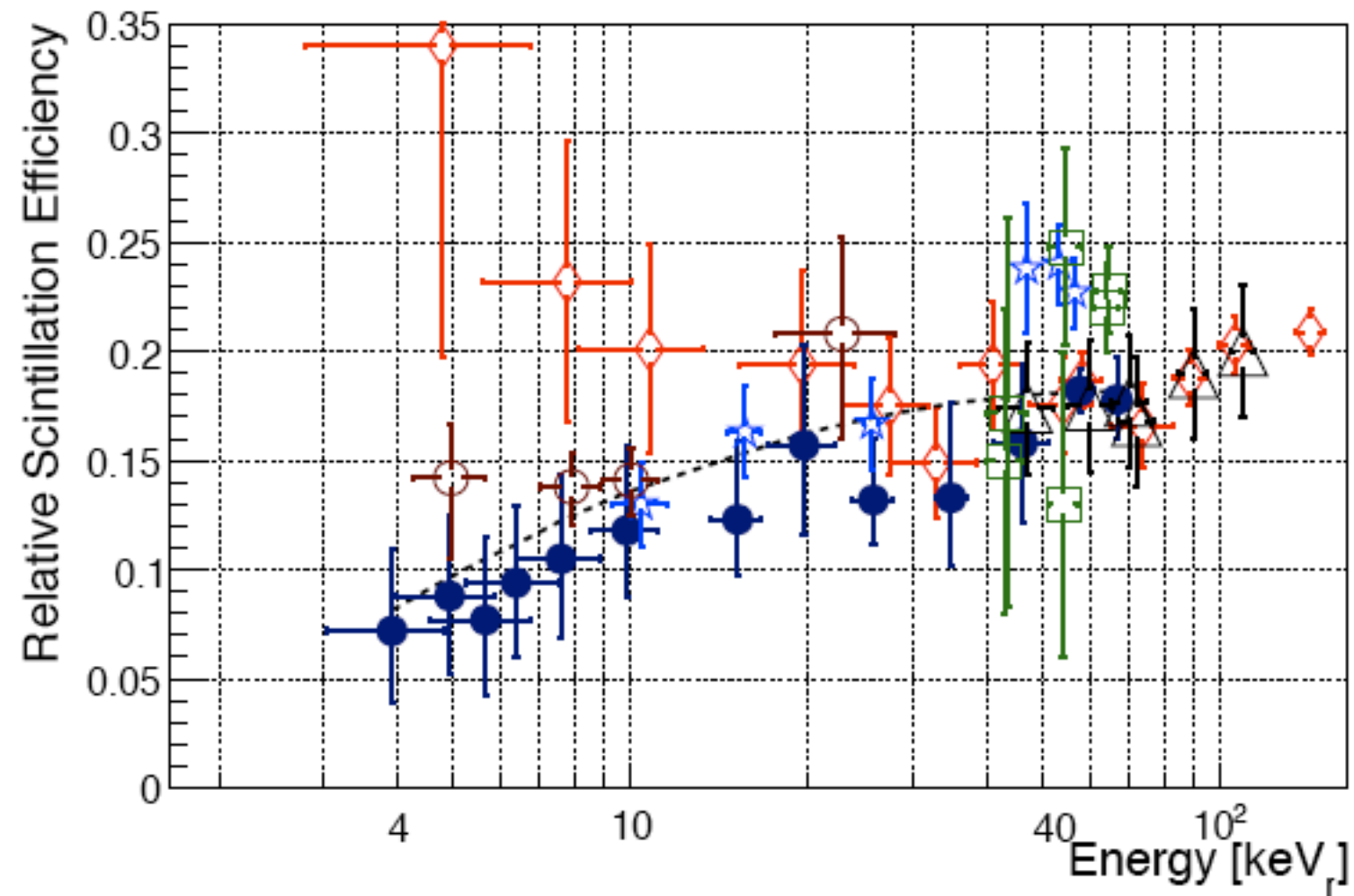
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-Chang et al



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# More Kinematics

- Momentum transfer

$$q = \sqrt{2m_N E_R}$$

Relative velocity

$$v^2(1 - \cos \theta) = \frac{q^2}{2\mu^2}$$
$$\hat{v}_i \cdot \hat{v}_f \equiv \cos \theta$$

Reduced DM-Nucleus mass

- $q$  smaller at CoGeNT than DAMA (Sodium)
- $\mu$  larger at CoGeNT than DAMA (Sodium)
- Typical  $v$  larger at DAMA than CoGeNT
- Try additional velocity dependence to DAMA & CoGeNT regions closer

# Dark Moments

ALF, Zurek

- Add new massive dark force  $A_\mu$  kinetically mixing with photon  $\epsilon F_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$
- Give dark matter a dark moment interaction

Anapole:  $\mathcal{O}_a = \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \chi A_\mu$

Magnetic dipole:  $\mathcal{O}_d = \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi F_{\mu\nu} / \Lambda$

Dine, Pospelov, Mohapatra, etc.

Anapole:  $\sigma_N = \frac{\mu_N^2}{4\pi M^4} \left( 4v^2 Z^2 F(E_R)^2 - q^2 \left( \frac{(m_\chi + m_N)^2}{m_\chi^2 m_N^2} Z^2 F(E_R)^2 - 2A^2 \frac{J+1}{3J} \frac{b_N^2}{m_N^2 b_n^2} \right) \right)$

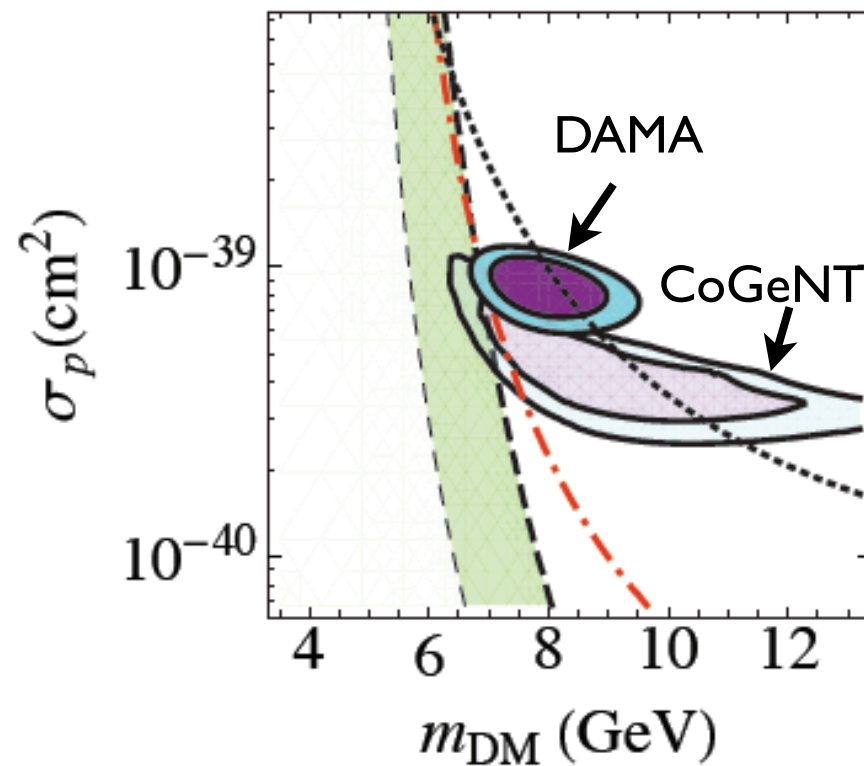
Magnetic dipole:  $\sigma_N = \frac{4\mu_N^2}{\pi M^4 \Lambda^2} \left( 4q^2 v^2 Z^2 F(E_R)^2 - q^4 \left( \left( \frac{2}{m_N m_\chi} + \frac{1}{m_N^2} \right) Z^2 F(E_R)^2 - 2A^2 \frac{J+1}{3J} \frac{b_N^2}{m_N^2 b_n^2} \right) \right)$

Nucleus spin  $J$

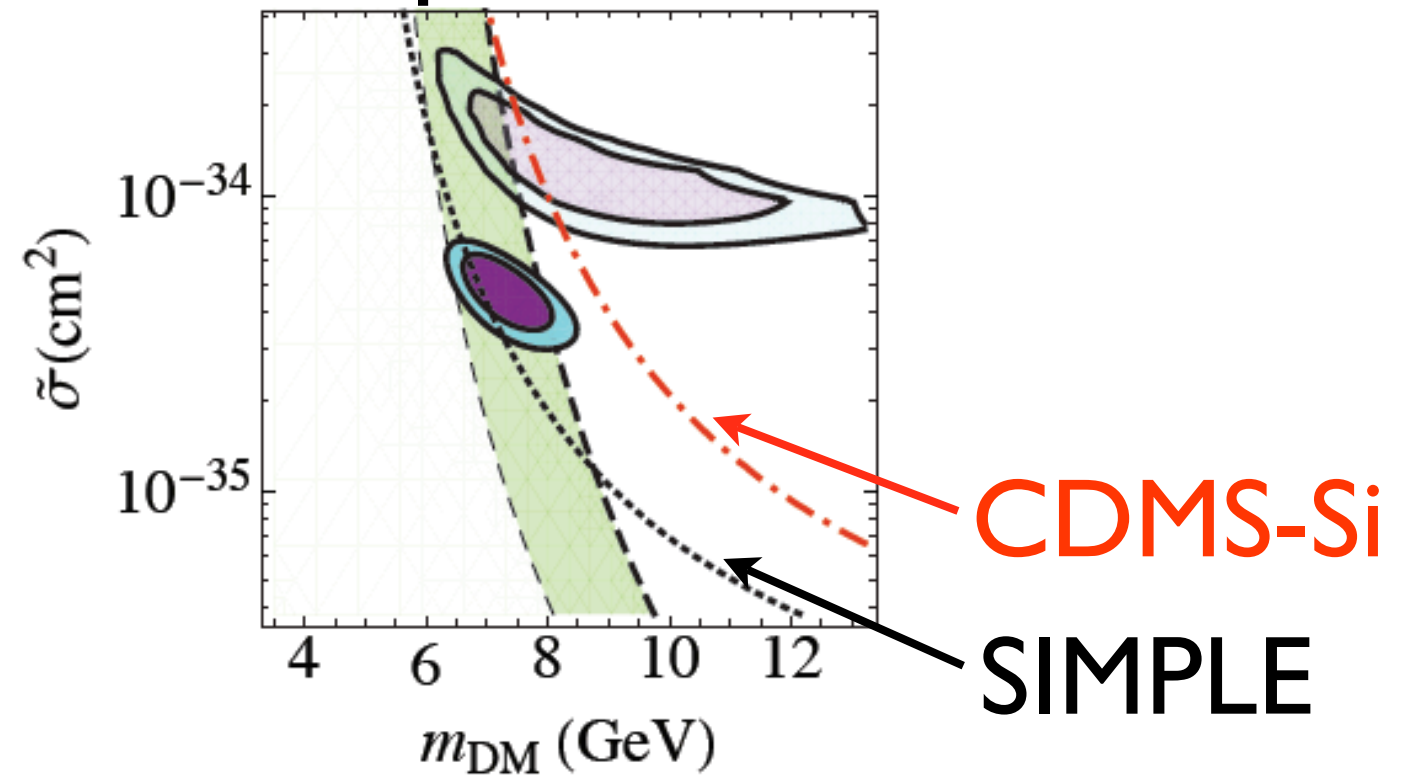
Nuclear magnetic moment  $b_N$   
Bohr magneton  $b_n$

# Advantages of Dark Moments

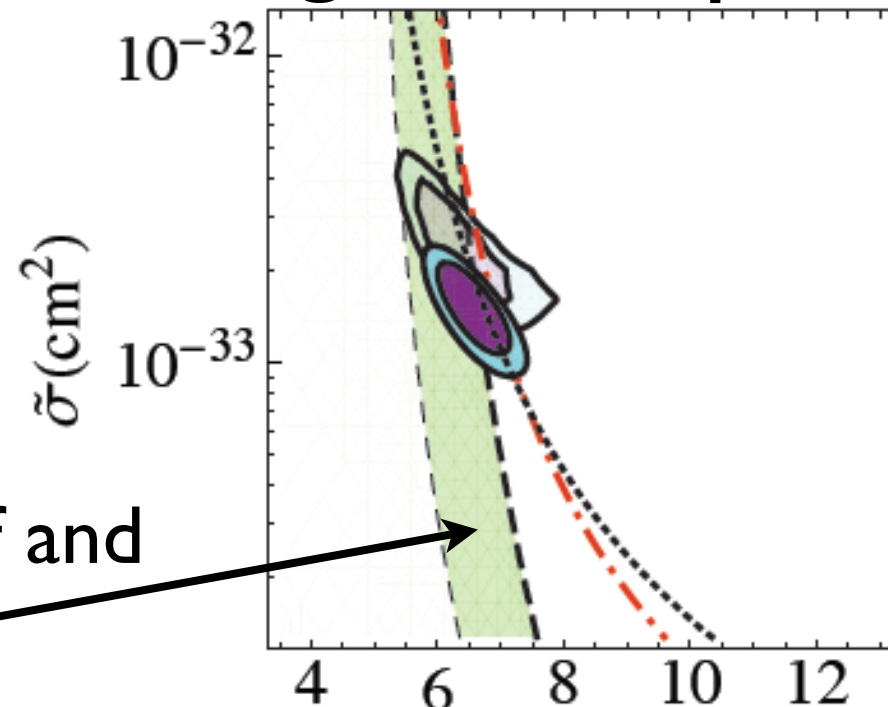
Standard



Anapole



Magnetic Dipole



XENON (depends on  $L_{\text{eff}}$  and detector resolution)

ALF, Zurek

$$q_{\text{Na}} = 0.45$$

$$v_0 = 270 \text{ km/s}$$

# Models

- Dark Anapole Example:

Weyl Fermion:  $\chi$ , Dark charge +1

Scalar:  $\phi$ , Dark charge -2

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \bar{\chi} \sigma^\mu D_\mu \chi + |D_\mu \phi|^2 + V(|\phi|^2) + \lambda \phi \chi \chi + h.c.$$

$$\langle \phi \rangle \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$$

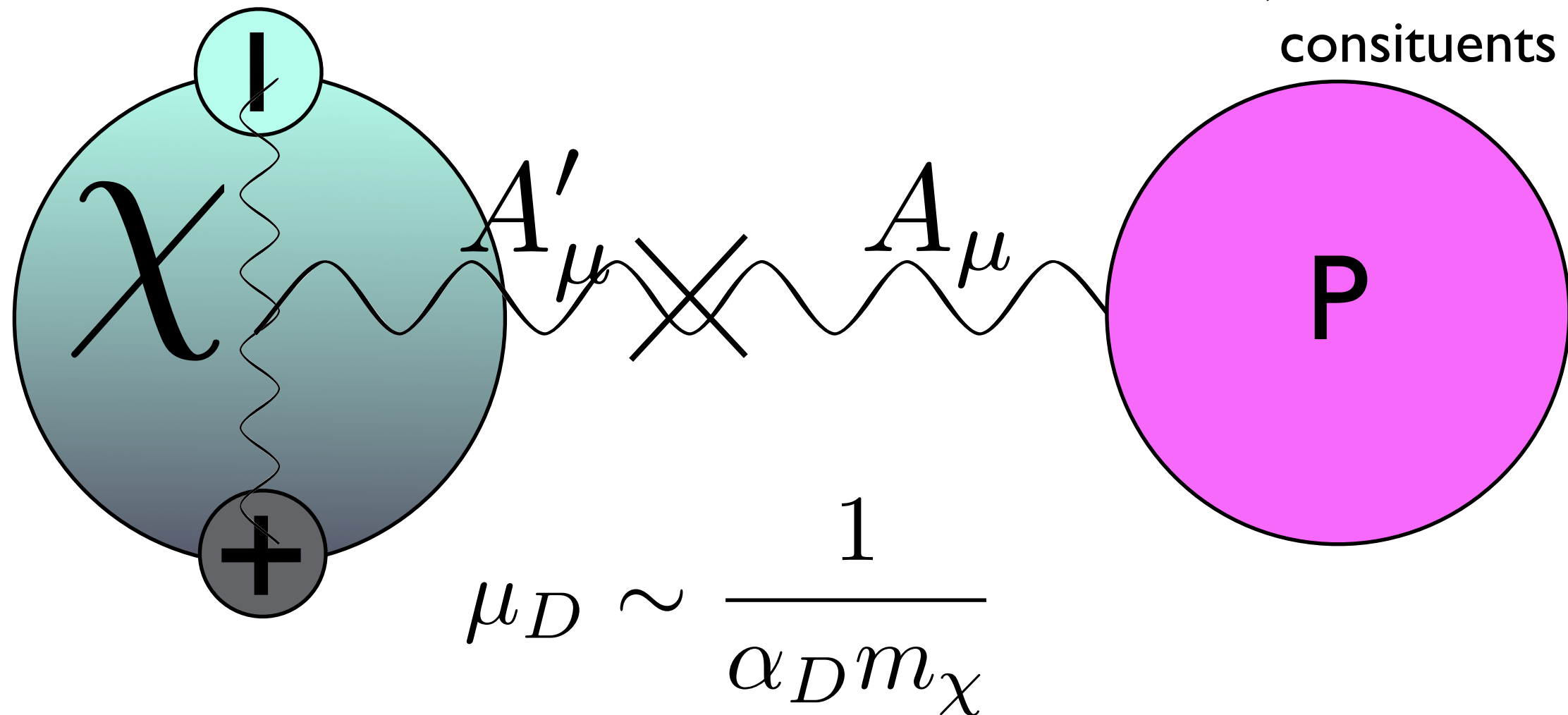
- Generates anapole  $\bar{\chi} \gamma^5 \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{N} \gamma_\mu N$

- Now,  $\chi$  is Majorana, so standard SI interaction vanishes

$$\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{N} \gamma_\mu N$$

# Models

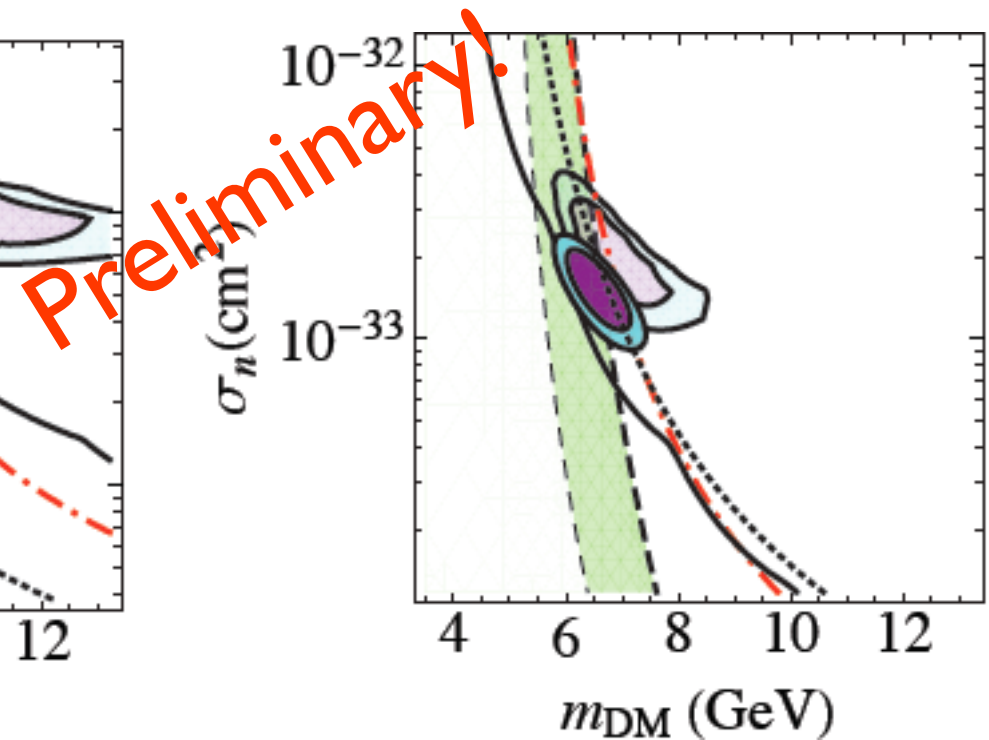
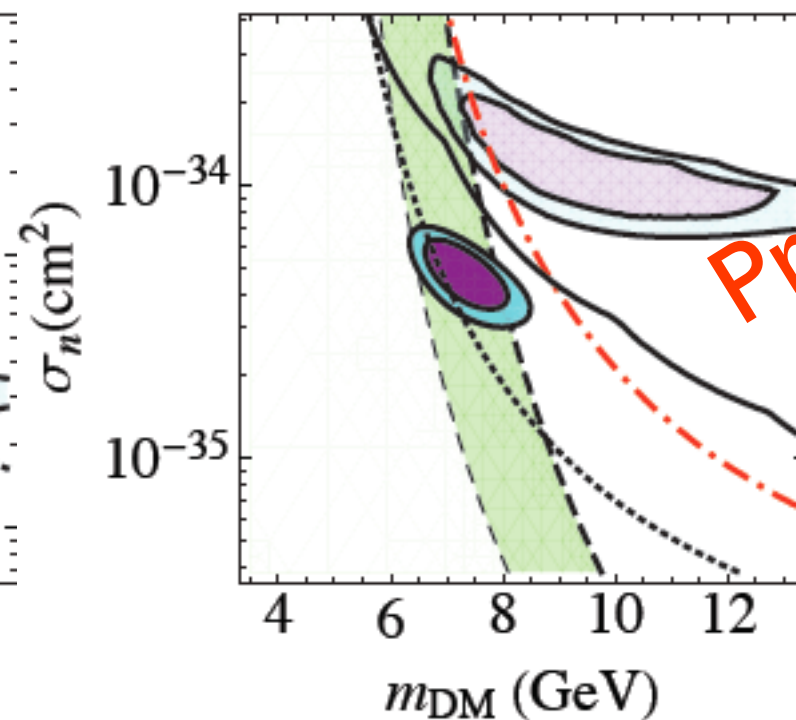
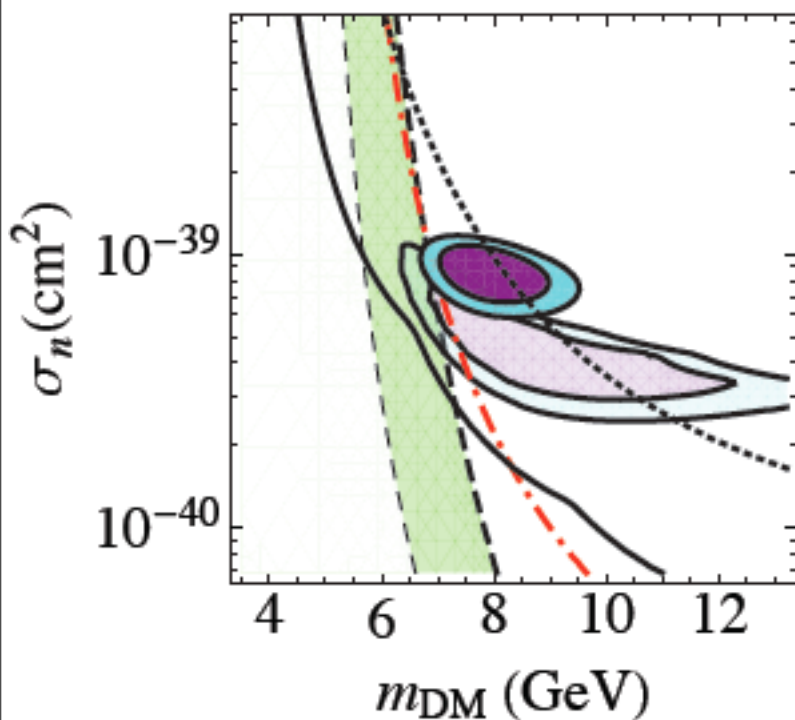
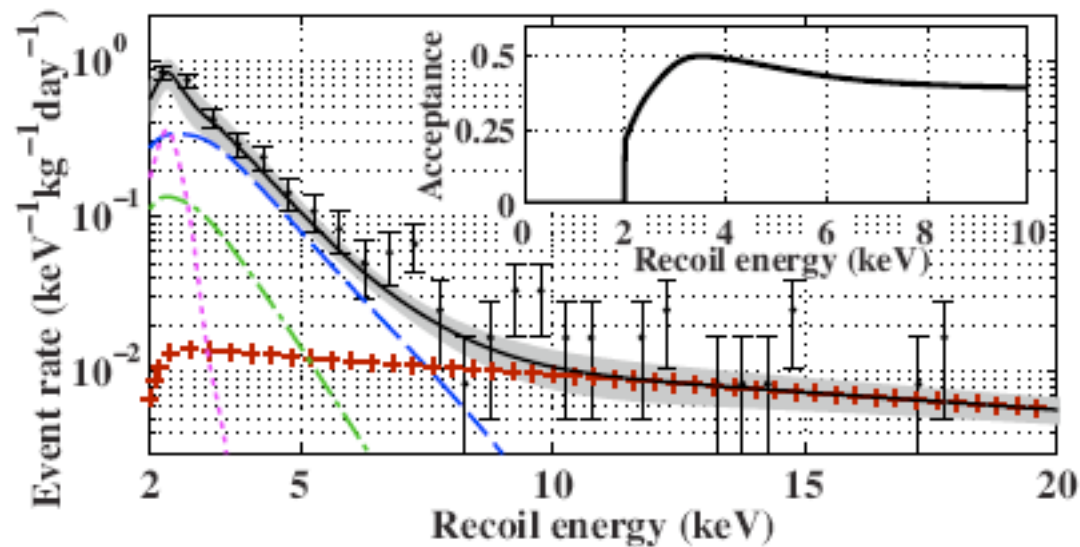
- Dark Magnetic Dipole Example: Fairly easy: make DM a composite, neutral under dark force, but with charged constituents



Dipole operator  $\bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi F'_{\mu\nu} / \Lambda$  is lowest dim'l gauge invariant allowed



# New CDMS results

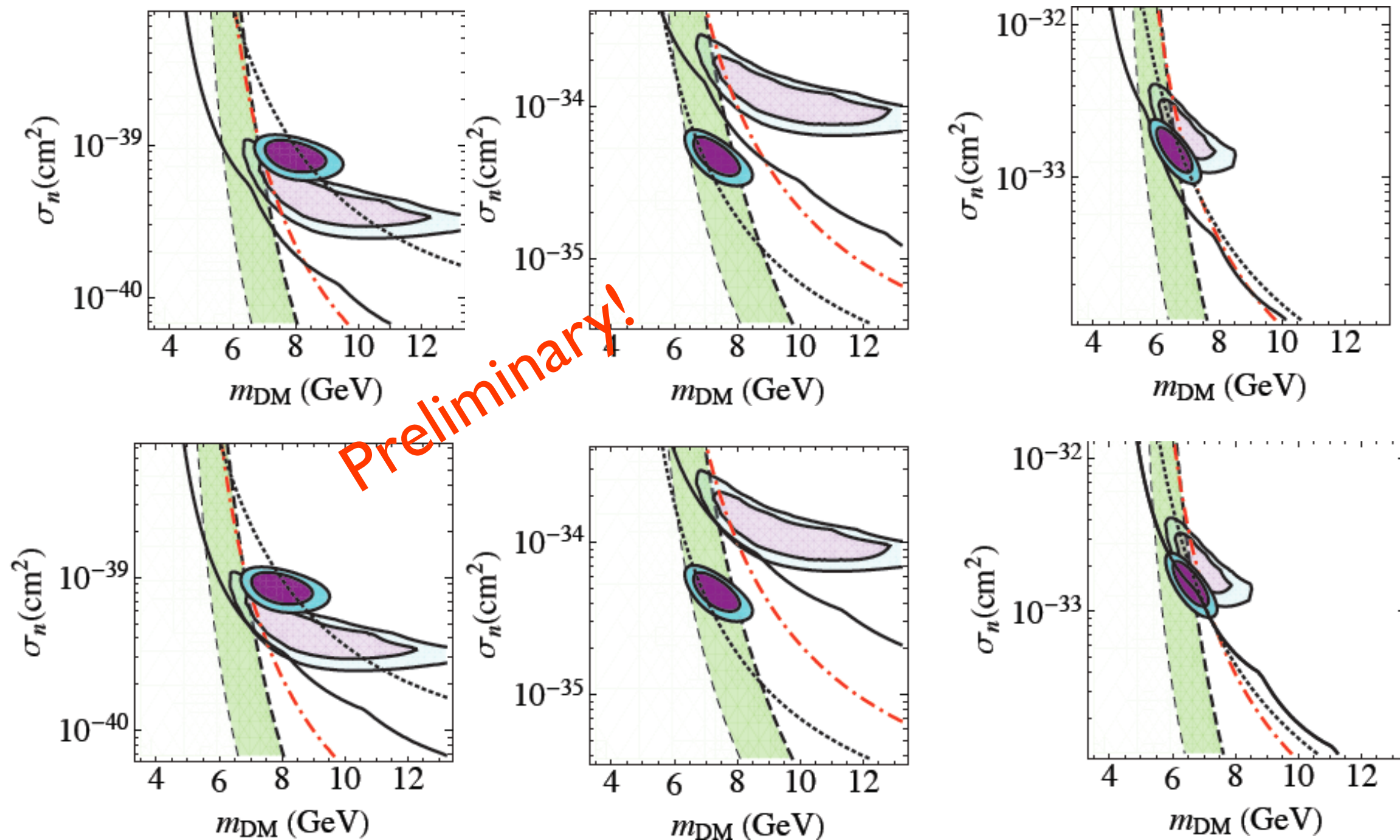


Also problematic: XENON10 S2 analysis



# New CDMS results

20% Energy shift has a significant effect



# Future: General Direct Detection EFT

- Constraints are typically calculated in a few simple models.
- Experiments are often said to disagree, but we've seen that more general models often change this.

$$V_{\text{eff}} = V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SI}} + V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SD}}$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SI}} = h_1 \delta^3(\vec{r}) - h_2 \vec{s}_\chi \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta^3(\vec{r}) + l_1 \frac{1}{4\pi r} + l_2 \frac{\vec{s}_\chi \cdot \vec{r}}{4\pi r^3},$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SD}} = h'_1 \vec{s}_\chi \cdot \vec{s}_N \delta^3(\vec{r}) - h'_2 \vec{s}_N \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta^3(\vec{r}) + l'_1 \frac{\vec{s}_\chi \cdot \vec{s}_N}{4\pi r} + l'_2 \frac{\vec{s}_N \cdot \vec{r}}{4\pi r^3},$$

Fan et al:

Non-relativistic effective potential

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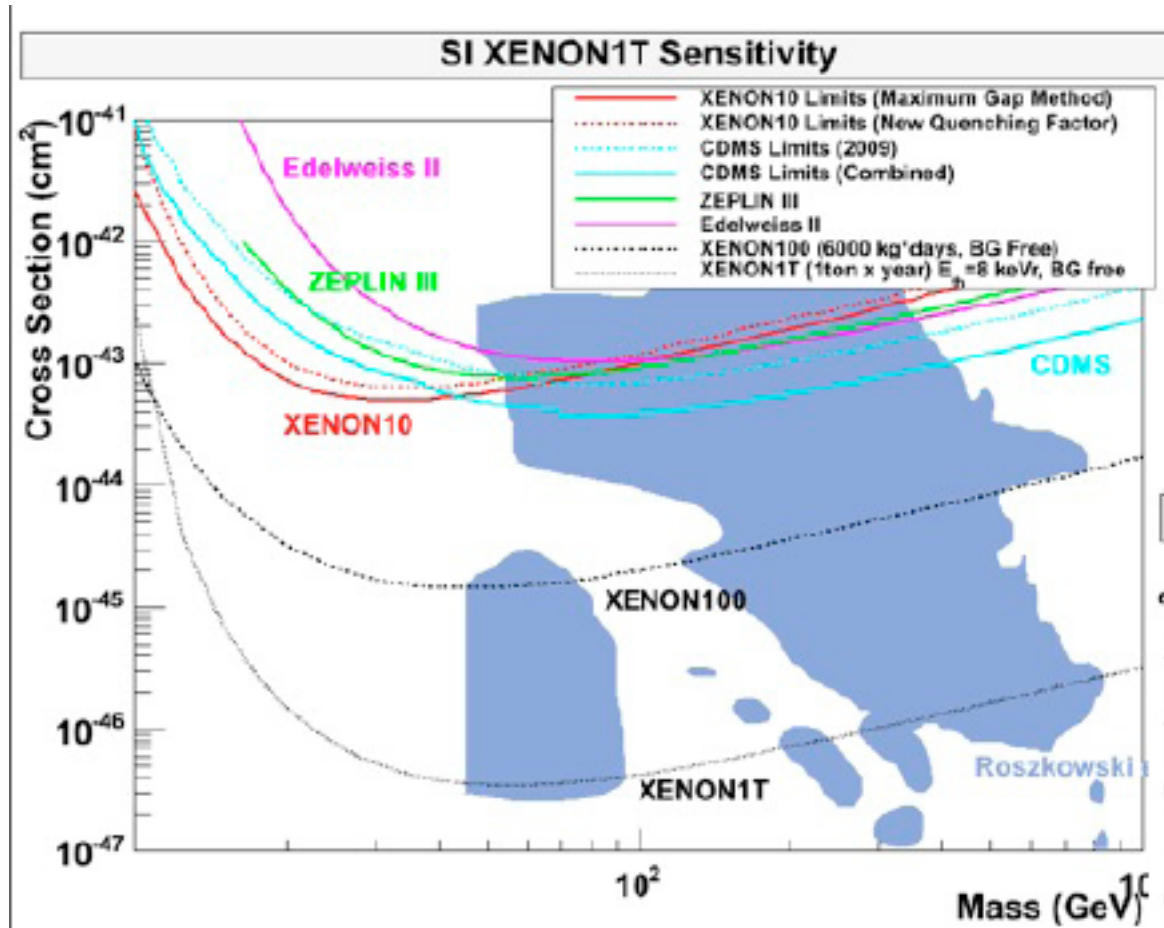
- Look at constraints in all possible directions in parameter space. For instance, dark magnetic dipole interaction was a combination of multiple terms.

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# Future looks exciting:



XENONIT, Super-CDMS

$$\sigma \sim 10^{-47} \text{cm}^2 = 10 \text{ yocto bn}$$

Aprile, Wonder conference

# Conclusion

- We are seeing rapid improvement in direct detection sensitivity
- DAMA, CoGeNT are potential signals of dark matter
  - worth considering alternative explanations
- Important to take into account all sources of uncertainty when making constraints
- Many models differ from standard WIMP scenario, worth trying to be model-independent.
- Exciting time for direct detection.